INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in IAC Conference Room, Administration Building Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 20 August 1957

Acting Director of Central Intelligence Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Mr. Hugh S. Cumming, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence, Department of State
- Major General Robert A. Schow, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Department of the Army
- Rear Admiral Laurence H. Frost, Director of Naval Intelligence, Department of the Navy
- Brigadier General Robert A. Breitweiser, acting for Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, United States Air Force
- Brigadier General Richard Collins, Deputy Director for Intelligence, The Joint Staff
- Mr. Charles H. Reichardt, acting for Atomic Energy Commission representative to the IAC
- Mr. Meffert Kuhrtz, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation representative to the IAC

1. Approval of Minutes
13 August 1957
(IAC-M-302)

Approved as written.

- 2. Review of Crisis Situations
 - a. Watch Committee Report No. 367

Noted.

b. Middle East

The members discussed recent political and military developments in Syria, both with respect to their impact on the Syrian internal situation and the possible reactions of other countries in the area, such as Israel and Turkey. The members also discussed reports regarding alleged Syrian actions against US aircraft. In addition, reference was made to King Hussein's reported plans to travel from Jordan at an early date.

c. Indonesia

The members exchanged views on the Indonesian situation, particularly in the light of Sukarno's recent speech.

3. Fifth Annual Progress Report to the IAC of the Scientific

Estimates Committee
(IAC-D-74/5, 5 August)

explained the nature of the action which the SEC expected to take in implementing the objectives proposed in Section IV of this report. He also noted that SEC action had not as yet been finalized on objective "b". With respect to objective "b", after General Breitweiser referred to the risk of variance

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between these publications and NIE's, the Chairman stated, and the members concurred, that any such study should not be disseminated until after the related NIE had been published and the SEC paper conformed with the NIE. The members then approved this report, noting, however, that objective "b" was still under consideration by the SEC members.

A. Review of Priority National
Intelligence Objectives
(Economic - IAC-D-50/10.2,
5 August; International Communism IAC-D-50/11, 18 April and IAC-D-50/11.1,
4 June; Scientific and Technical IAC-D-50/8, 5 March)

The members approved the proposed Priority National Economic Intelligence Objectives. They also approved the draft Priority National Intelligence Objectives in the field of International Communism, subject to the deletion of the word "particularly" from paragraphs I, a, 2 and I, b, 2.

The members also agreed that these two sets of priority objectives, as approved, and the Priority National Scientific and Technical Intelligence Objectives (IAC-D-50/8) were consistent with the over-all Priority National Intelligence Objectives (DCID 4/6).

5. Post-Mortem on NIE 100-4-57
Implications for the Communist
Bloc and Free World of Growing
Nuclear Capabilities

Noted the findings and approved the action recommended in this post-mortem.

6. Validity Study for NIE 100-5-55
Implications of Growing Nuclear
Capabilities for the Communist
Bloc and the Free World

Noted this validity study.

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7. Post-Mortem on NIE 100-6-57
Nuclear Weapons Production
in Fourth Countries - Likelihood
and Consequences

Noted the findings and approved the action recommended in this post-mortem.

9. Release of NIE 81-57
The Outlook for Mexico
(Memorandum to IAC, 16 August)

Agreed not to release this estimate to any foreign government.

10. NIE 68-57

Probable Developments in Laos Over the Next Few Months

- a. Approved.
- b. Agreed to release this estimate to USIA.
- c. Noted the findings and approved the recommendation of the post-mortem on this estimate.
- d. Noted the validity study for NIE 63.3/1-55, "Probable Developments in Laos to July 1956," 20 December 1955,

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11. USCIB Communication
Re Warning Systems Survey
Committee

The members noted a communication from the Executive Secretary, USCIB, to the Secretary IAC, containing certain recommendations with respect to the procedure to be followed by the IAC Warning System Survey Committee (WSSC) in carrying out its mission, and agreed to instruct the WSSC to adopt those recommendations.

12. Executive Session

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At 1130 the Chairman asked for an executive session, during which the members heard and discussed a special report by

Adjournment: 1145

JOHN HEIRES Secretary

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